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# Senate Bill SB-99SA-1210 Addresses the Removal of Student Involvement from the Academics Affairs Committee

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*University of North Florida*

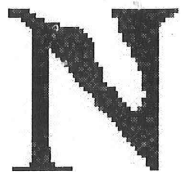
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UNIVERSITY OF NORTH FLORIDA  
STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION



# SENATE RESOLUTION

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NUMBER SR-99SA-1210

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*SR-99SA-1210 addresses the removal of student involvement from the Academics Affairs Committee*

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- WHEREAS:** The Student Government Association of the University of North Florida's purpose is to "represent students in all University-wide matters," as stated in chapter 400.1B, in the University of North Florida's Student Government Association Constitution and Statutes, and;
- WHEREAS:** It has come to the attention to the Student Government Association of the University of North Florida that the Faculty Senate in conjunction with the Office of Academic Affairs has proposed to remove Student Affairs (student participation and representation) from the Academic Appeals Committees, and;
- WHEREAS:** The Academic Appeals Committee of the University of North Florida was established to give students an equitable avenue to which they could present their disputes, and;
- WHEREAS:** The committee was also established to provide a non-bias avenue with a committee chair coming from a neutral prospective (Vice President of Student Affairs), and;
- WHEREAS:** The students of The University of North Florida do not feel that any committee hearing a case from both a faculty and student prospective, should not be chaired by either one of the two constituents, and;
- WHEREAS:** The Students of the University of North Florida are aware that the committee only forwards their recommendation to the Vice President of Academic Affairs and that final authority remains in the hands of a seated

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faculty member (the VP for Academic Affairs), but remain steadfast in our recommendation that this process remain non-biased, and;

**WHEREAS:** We feel that if the Committee Chairmanship is removed from the powers of a non-bias position (the Vice President for Student Affairs), the process becomes one sided, and;

**WHEREAS:** We further support the current committee composition which has representatives from both the Faculty/Student constituencies and the chair of the committee being the Vice President for Student Affairs, and;

**THEREFORE:** LET IT BE RESOLVED THAT THIS RESOLUTION FORMALLY ACTS AS THE STUDENT OPINION ON THIS MATTER. THE MEMBERS OF THE STUDENT SENATE STRONGLY ENCOURAGE THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH FLORIDA TO DENY THE FACULTY ASSOCIATIONS REQUEST TO REMOVE THE CHAIRPERSON POSITION OUT OF THE HANDS OF THE VICE PRESIDENT FOR STUDENT AFFAIRS AND INTO THE HANDS OF THE OFFICE OF ACADEMIC AFFAIRS. IN DOING SO, THE ACADEMIC APPEAL PROCESS REMAINS FREESTANDING AND NEUTRAL.

**THEREFORE:** LET IT BE FURTHERMORE RESOLVED THAT THE STUDENTS AT THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH FLORIDA DO NOT SUPPORT THE FACULTY ASSOCIATION'S INTENTION TO TARNISH THE INTEGRITY OF THE ACADEMIC APPEAL PROCESS.

Respectfully submitted, University of North Florida Senate

Introduced by Senate President, Brian Blackmire

Senate Action Passed Unanimously

Date June 4, 1999

Be it known that SR-99SA-1210

is hereby PASSED / VETOED on

This 9th day of JUNE, 1999

Signature Alexander Diaz

*Student Body President*